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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Art Unit: 3726  
Examiner: Steven Blount  
Applicant: William A. Skinner et al  
Serial No.: 09/603,857 ✓  
Filed: June 26, 2000  
Entitled: DOUBLE FLANGED BUSHINGS AND INSTALLATION  
METHOD  
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RESPONSE

The Commissioner for Patents and Trademarks  
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 14, 2002, relating to the above identified application, kindly amend the application as follows:

In the claims

Claim 7, line 4, after "members" insert -- are all metal and --.

The following is a clean copy of amended claim 7:

AI, 7. The combination of claim 5, wherein the first and second tubular members are coaxial and are surrounded by a third tubular member and the first, second and third tubular members are all metal and together form the tubular center portion of the bushing.